

## Missionary

### A WANT OF SELF-RESPECT VS. A LABOR OF LOVE.

All our Church papers have recently had a statement from our veteran missionary, Dr. John L. Stuart, about Union Theological Seminary, Nanking, China. Our Southern Church entered into an agreement with the Northern Church to build it, each to furnish six thousand dollars. It was expected that the whole amount would be given by individuals, so that the general funds of the mission treasury would not be used. The Northern Church promptly did its part and more: ten thousand dollars were given by two donors only. On our part, alas, no donations appeared, and at last for very shame, the China Mission, with advance work clamoring, with hospitals and schools suffering, had to take three thousand five hundred of its scarce dollars. Even now Mr. and Mrs. Leighton Stuart have to be quartered upon another professor, because we have built no house!

Can it be there is no rich Presbyterian in all our prosperous Southland? It cannot be that our rich people are stingy, when we are called "big-hearted Southerners," and grand gifts have been made for ministerial relief and the needs of missions. Every now and then there is a rumor of somebody who wants to give "five thousand a year for five years"—what a noble gift! Here is the opportunity.

### WOMEN'S CONFERENCE AT MONTREAT.

The women's meetings held during the missionary conference at Montreat, N. C., during the past summer proved so helpful and interesting that the women appointed a committee of three to arrange a program for similar services to be held at the same place during the missionary conference of 1909. Your committee asks the co-operation of our women interested in missions, and especially requests that the presidents of presbyterial unions will at once communicate with us, giving addresses of women in their unions who have proved to be true helpers, and along what lines, and who will be willing to participate in making these women's meetings an incentive to better service for the Master. Any suggestions regarding the make-up of the program will be thankfully received.

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Only fixed convictions will produce permanent Christian activity, and only those who are actively at work will maintain fixed convictions. The two stand together; either attempted alone will fail.—John A. Broadus.

### THREE MEN WANTED FOR AFRICA.

The Executive Committee hereby appeals for three men to offer their services for the work in Africa. One of these men is wanted with such an equipment as will enable him to take charge of the training of the native evangelists for their work. Another one is needed to help operate the Lapsley. This person should be one of mechanical gifts and of general resourcefulness in difficult matters of that kind. Technical knowledge as to how to run an engine is not essential, provided one has a general knowledge and ability to adapt himself to circumstances and emergencies that are likely to arise in connection with work of this kind.

The third man is needed especially to take charge of the business affairs of the Mission. He ought to be able to do the work of an evangelist as he has opportunity, but his main work would be to manage such matters as transport and the keeping of books, and to take general supervision of the various business matters that necessarily are involved in the conduct of our African Mission.

The Executive Committee would be gratified by an early response to this call, as the need is very urgent.

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### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOTES.

The Executive Committee of Foreign Missions met in the mission rooms, Nashville, Tenn., on Tuesday, January 5th.

Miss Grace Olcott Sands and Miss Mary P. Sands, of Richmond, Va.; Miss Irene Hawkins, of Danville, Va., and Miss Elinore Lynch, of Marshall, Mo., were appointed as missionaries, their fields to be assigned hereafter.

Miss Clara Gennett Moore, of Richmond, Va., was appointed as a missionary to Eastern Brazil.

Mrs. Motte Martin, formerly Miss Bessie Sentell, of Bunkie, La., was appointed as a missionary to Africa.

The secretary was instructed to issue an appeal for three additional white men for the African work, one of them to be assigned to the care of the steamer in the place of Rev. L. C. Vass, whose furlough is now due. The letter of the African mission making this appeal, which was endorsed by this action of the committee, was published in the January number of The Missionary.

Rev. Motte Martin and Rev. J. McC. Sieg were authorized to make arrangements for returning to Africa in the month of February.

Appropriations were made for the missions of East Brazil, North Brazil and Mexico.

An earnest appeal from the Japan mission that reinforcements be sent to supply the places of members of that mission retired from the work on account of ill health was presented, and the secretary was instructed to present this appeal personally to some members in the present senior classes in our theological seminaries.

Rev. F. A. Brown, one of the young men working in the interest of the Forward Movement, was present, and gave a very interesting report of his recent work